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SUBJECT: GOP REQUEST FOR GIFA NEGOTIATION

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1. PERSONNEL AND SCHEDULING PROBLEMS MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR DEPARTMENT TO MEET GOP REQUEST FOR GIFA NEGOTIATIONS IN LISBON JULY 20-29. OFFICE WORKLOAD IS LIKELY TO PRECLUDE U.S. DELEGATION TO LISBON IN FORESEEABLE FUTURE. ALTERNATIVES ARE FOR PORTUGUESE DELEGATION TO COME TO WASHINGTON OR FOR GIFA TO BE CONCLUDED BY EMBASSY AND SIGNED THERE BY AMBASSADOR. SHOULD PORTUGUESE PREFER TO COME TO WASHINGTON WE SUGGEST WEEK OF AUGUST 15-19. CONCLUDING GIFA AT EMBASSY WOULD REQUIRE DEPARTMENT AND WASHINGTON INTERAGENCY CLEARANCE OF ANY PROPOSED DEVIATIONS
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FROM TEXT OF DRAFT GIFA AND COULD BE CUMBERSOME.

2. SINCE PORTUGAL HAS NOT HABITUALLY FISHED IN WATERS ENCOMPASSED BY THE U.S. FISHERY ZONE, ARTICLE IV OF DRAFT GIFA EARLIER PROVIDED TO PORTUGAL SHOULD BE CHANGED BY DELETION OF FINAL CLAUSE WHICH BEGINS QUOTE AND THE NEED TO MINIMIZE ECONOMIC DISLOCATION...UNQUOTE.

3. ARTICLE XI SHOULD BE DELETED IN ITS ENTIRETY AND THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE SUBSTITUTED:

PARA 1: THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE UNITED STATES AND PORTUGAL UNDERTAKE TO COOPERATE, ACCORDING TO THEIR CAPABILITIES, IN THE CONDUCT OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH RELATED TO LIVING RESOURCES OF MUTUAL INTEREST. THE COMPETENT AGENCIES OF THE TWO GOVERNMENTS SHALL ENTER INTO SUCH ARRANGEMENTS AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO FACILITATE SUCH COOPERATION, INCLUDING THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AND SCIENTISTS, AND REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS BETWEEN SCIENTISTS TO PREPARE RESEARCH PLANS AND REVIEW PROGRESS.

PARA 2: THE GOVERNMENT OF PORTUGAL SHALL COOPERATE WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROCEDURES FOR COLLECTING, RECORDING AND REPORTING FISHERIES DATA IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROCEDURES IN ANNEX II, WHICH CONSTITUTES AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS AGREEMENT.

4. IN ORDER TO REMOVE THE DESCRIPTION OF STATISTICAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FROM AGREEMENT WE WISH TO CHANGE ANNEX II OF DRAFT GIFA AS FOLLOWS:

A. DROP FIFTH SENTENCE BEGINNING QUOTE IT ALSO IMPLIES... UNQUOTE.

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B. INSERT IN LIEU OF DELETED SENTENCE QUOTE THEREFORE THE UNITED STATES WILL DEVELOP PROCEDURES FOR REPORTING AND RECORDING STATISTICAL INFORMATION, INCLUDING CATCH AND EFFORT INFORMATION, AND SHALL MAKE AVAILABLE TO AUTHORITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF PORTUGAL THE PROCEDURES AND THE FORMS FOR REPORTING SUCH STATISTICAL INFORMATION. THE PROCEDURES WILL BE ANNOUNCED AND FORMS FOR REPORTING WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE IN SUFFICIENT TIME TO ALLOW COMPLIANCE UNQUOTE.

C. CHANGE FOLLOWING SENTENCE TO READ: QUOTE ALL DATA REFERRED TO IN THIS ANNEX SHALL BE REPORTED TO THE DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE UNQUOTE.

D. DELETE ALL OF PARA 1 WHICH BEGINS QUOTE STATISTICAL INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS...UNQUOTE.

E. RENUMBER PARAGRAPHS AS REQUIRED.

F. ADD AT END OF SECTION ON PROCEDURES FOR SCIENTIFIC SAMPLES FROM ATLANTIC FISHERIES A NEW SUB-PARAGRAPH WHICH READS: QUOTE THE COLLECTION OF SAMPLES SPECIFIED ABOVE

SHALL BE ANNOTATED IN FISHING LOG BOOKS UNQUOTE.

5. REQUEST EMBASSY PROVIDE ABOVE CHANGES TO PORTUGUESE
FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION AND INQUIRE WHAT THEIR DESIRES ARE

WITH REGARD TO GIFA NEGOTIATION IN LIGHT OF U.S. INABILITY
TO SEND DELEGATION TO LISBON.

6. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE TEXT OF PORTUGUESE NOTE
REQUESTING NEGOTIATIONS. VANCE

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